## MINUTES 04/10/2012

## **Annual Meeting**

Town Hall - Swiss Miss Center 1101 Hwy 69 New Glarus @ 6:00 pm

ATTENDING: Board Members: Keith Seward, Chris Narveson (6:25), Dean Streiff, Jim Hoesly, Robert

Elkins, Pattie Salter and Dennis Nielson

ALSO ATTENDING: Dale Hustad (Town Counsel) and Tara Bast (Town Accountant), Jodi Hoesly, Jodi Sweeney, Russ

Whitacre, Jane Martinson, Suzi Janowiak, Kevin Budsberg, Linda Hiland, and Rebecca Weiss

CALL TO ORDER: K. Seward called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM – Swiss Miss Center

Proof of Posting: Proper proof of notice was duly noted

- 1. **Minutes of 2011 Annual Meeting** Presented for informational purposes. Minutes were approved at the May 2011 Regular Town Board Meeting.
- 2. **Financial Report Presentation** Tara Bast presented the board with the 2011 Financial Report. R. Elkins moved to file the annual report with the Clerk's Office. J. Hoesly 2<sup>nd</sup>. No further discussion, 7 voted in favor of filing the report with the Clerk's Office, 0 were opposed. Motion Carried.
- 3. **Goals and Accomplishments** K. Seward distributed a brief Milrate report showing the average increase of our milrate to be just over the rate of inflation. He noted that our debt has steadily decreased and we have stayed below the State Levy Limits.
  - K. Seward reported that our accomplishments over the past year include updating our benefits procedures to accommodate changes in the State Statues and we added a grievance procedure as recommended by the Wisconsin Towns Association.
    - a. R. Whitacre gave a report on the Parks Commission accomplishments including a Raptor workshop, updated the 5 Year Parks Plan, and Stream bank improvement. They also worked with the Village on a couple projects including a skating rink and Arbor Day tree planting. Upcoming events include a spring cleanup, a Barn Preservation workshop at the school and a controlled grass fire at Blue Bird Ridge Conservancy.
    - b. K. Seward explained that the Town has been working with the Village to develop a Cooperative Boundary Agreement and hope to complete the process this year. Public meetings will be held in the near future to gather public input.
    - c. K. Seward also noted that the Town is working with the Village to help support their efforts for a New Library facility.
    - d. Another area of joint effort is investigating the possible cost savings of combining our trash and recycling efforts with the Village.
- **4. Public Comments** No public comments.
- 5. Library Board Introduction Jodi Hoesly introduced herself as the new liaison. She thanked the Town Board for their past support in the Library projects. Jodi then presented the board with a handout on what's currently happening with the library. Candidates for the new Library Director have been interviewed and a new director should be selected soon. Jodi reported that the Library Board hopes to have concept sketches of the new library facility by mid June. The Library Board hopes to kick off the library fundraising campaign phase running by Tell week-end.
- 6. **Discussion of any old or new business** No old business was reported. New business K. Seward recognized Pattie Salter for achieving the designation of Wisconsin Certified Professional Clerk and presented her with a plaque.
- 7. C. Narveson moved to adjourn, D. Streiff 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried. 6:45